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E.O. 11652: GDS TAGS: PDIP, EC, VE

SUBJECT: TRANSFER OF AMBASSADOR CANADAS

- 1. CANADAS HAS CONFIDED TO EMBOFF WHO IS LONG-TIME FRIEND THAT HE ATTRIBUTES HIS EARLY TRANSFER TO HIS EFFORTS TO PERSUADE GOE TO PURCHASE OR RENT SUITABLE RESIDENCE IN CARACAS. CANADAS HAS BEEN IN TEMPOARY OUARTERS SINCE HE ARRIVED HERE LAST JUNE. HE SAID HE INFORMED QUITO THAT IN THE CURRENT INFLATED REAL ESTATE MARKET IN CARACAS AN APPROPRIATE FURNISHED RESIDENCE WOULD RENT FOR \$5-6 THOUSAND PER MONTH, AND TO PURCHASE AND FURNISH SUCH A HOUSE WOULD COST CLOSE TO \$1 MILLION. THE REACTION OF THE GOE WAS SHOCKED DISBELIEF, ACCORDING TO CANADAS, WHEN HE ACTUALLY SUBMITTED A PROPOSAL TO BUY AND FURNISH A HOUSE IN THIS PRICE RANGE, IT WAS CONSIDERED AT A CABINET MEETING AND REJECTED. UPON HEARING THIS NEWS CANADAS SAYS HE ASKED FOR A TRANSFER. HE HAD APPARENTLY HOPED FOR ANOTHER AMBASSADORSHIP, HOWEVER, AND SEEMS DISAPPOINTED TO HAVE TO RETURN TO QUITO AT THIS TIME.
- 2. VALENCIA WILL NOW HAVE TO DEAL WITH PROBLEM OF RESIDENCE, BUT PERHAPS HIS TASTES WILL BE MORE CONFIDENTIAL

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